13 Rs. 180 under "28—6—Factories Contingencies—Rent"

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* I rise to move for an allotment of Rs. 180 under "28—6—Factories—Contingencies—Rent." This amount is required for the payment of rent of the Office of Inspector of Factories and Boilers for 12 months. I request the House may be pleased to grant this.

Demand put and carried

14 Rs. 100 under "16-A-Law and Justice—T. A."

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 100 under "16—A—Law and Justice—T. A." The budget allotment for the year is only Rs. 200 and certain forest cases have been asked to be conducted by the Government Pleader of Trichur and these cases are pending before the Chittur Magistrate. At the time the budget was framed, this expense could not have been anticipated and the balance available is quite insufficient to meet the charges under that head, and the rule is that the charges under T. A. for the current year must be drawn in that year itself. Therefore I am moving for this additional allotment.

Demand put and carried

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. The Cochin Verumpattamdar's Bill

Mr. Parambi Lonappan *(Diwan Peishkar);* Sir, I rise to present the Select Committee Report on the Cochin Verumpattamdars' Bill. I became a member of this Committee at the two last sittings of the Committee. The report has already been published and the copies of it have been given to the Hon'ble Members. The committee has made certain changes in the Bill first introduced. In the first place, the Committee thought it necessary to explain the meaning of the words *kudiyirippu* and *kudiyiruppukaran* to make the Bill a complete one. Some changes have also been introduced in the provisions of the Bill regarding the right to evict the landholders or tenants in areas in the Municipality. Some provision has also been made for payment of some rent to the land owners from tenants who are known as *tharikuthukaran* in the Chittur Taluk. Since the report has been given to you already, I do not want to say much further on this matter. I place the report before you for acceptance.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* With your permission, I wish to make a statement about this.

Mr. President: It is not proposed to take up the Bill for discussion for this session. You have got ample time.

Motion put and carried

2. The Cochin Municipal Act (Amendment) Bill

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* I rise to move that the Cochin Municipal Act (Amendment) Bill be read in Council. The object of this amendment is explained in the objects and reasons attached to the Bill. It is therefore not necessary for me to make a lengthy speech. As regards the removal of disqualification of aided school teachers, it is done only in pursuance of a motion moved in this Council and the assurance held out by the Government to amend the Act for that purpose. Section 54 of the Municipal Act provides for the decision on questions of disqualification of councillors on application made by the Councillor concerned or of any other councillor or the executive authority at the request of the Councillor. It is not to the interest of the Councillor to make the application and run the risk of an adverse decision. While the councillor will be generally inclined to make an application, he will hesitate to take the initiative in view of the cost. The only course seems to be for the Government to make the application as has been recently done in Madras. As for the other amendment the question of giving some relief in the matter of toll to motor vehicles in and round the area of British Cochin, Willingdon Island and Mattancheri has engaged the attention of the Government and the Madras Government has also addressed the Government for some arrangement whereby motorists in British Cochin using cars in State and *vice versa* may be given some relief on a reciprocal basis. It is necessary to provide within the entire area of British Cochin, Willingdon Island, Mattancheri and Ernakulam a specified fee and also for the apportionment thereof between the various authorities. The Act does not provide for the issue of composite licenses. The amendment is necessary to give effect to the arrangement that has been entered into with the Madras Government. That is the reason for clause 5 of the Bill. Lastly, clause 6 is for the purpose of providing a time limit within

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